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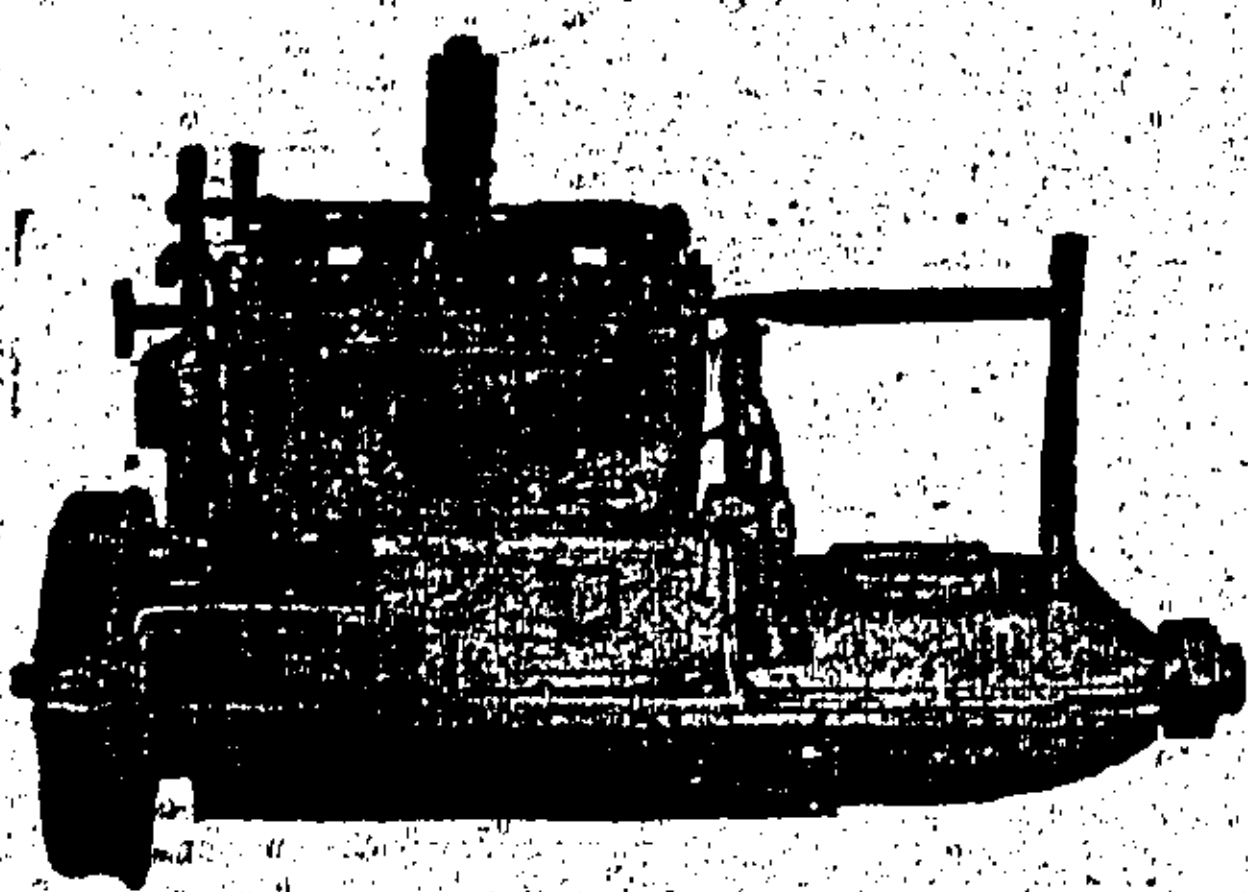
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QUEEN'S COLLEGE PRIZE DAY.

PORTRAIT OF SIR R. HO TUNG
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UNIVERSITY BY SIR ROBERT.

The annual prize distribution at Queen's College, held yesterday morning in the large hall of the College, was made notable by the announcement by H.E. the Governor of another generous donation by Sir Robert Ho Tung to Hongkong University. The donation amounts to the splendid sum of \$100,000, and brings Sir Robert's contributions to this branch of local education to well over a quarter of a million dollars. The provision of workshops for the Engineering Faculty is to be the purpose of the donation, the announcement of which was naturally received with great enthusiasm.

Amongst those who attended the ceremony were Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, the Vice-Chancellor of the University (Dr. Jordan), the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn, Col. Bowen, Professor Middleton Smith (Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Hongkong University), Dr. N. Teesdale Macintosh (Registrar of Hongkong University), Capt. Mills (Army Educational Branch), Mr. E. Irving (Director of Education), Mr. Ralphs (Inspector of English Schools), Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto, and others.

The Headmaster's report was as follows:—
Attendance.—The total number of scholars enrolled during the year, ending December 31st, 1920, was 993—177 less than in the previous year.

The average daily attendance throughout the year was 590, being 29 less than during 1919. These reductions are due to 3rd classes being formed in Ellis Kadourie School, Sai-ying-pun and Wan-tai, (?) as there was not sufficient staff at Queen's College to take these classes in.

Staff.—The changes on the staff have not been as numerous as usual. Mr. de Rome returned from leave in March, and Mr. Kay left for England during the same month. Mr. Edwards also went on leave in March and has lately returned. Mr. Tanner left for England on October 30th. His departure was the signal for a remarkable display of cracker-firing and enthusiasm, which was eloquent testimony of the appreciation of the boys of the great interest he has always taken in their welfare. I took up my duties here on October 28th.

The Vernacular studies have been carried on successfully, and everything is now working smoothly under the efficient supervision of Mr. Sung Hok-pang, Senior Vernacular Teacher.

Discipline.—The discipline of the school has been very satisfactory. The school Prefects have worked well, and the tone of the school has every appearance of being thoroughly sound. The Prefect's medal is awarded to Wei Tat. He was succeeded by Douglas Laing as Head Prefect. Laing, always a "player," the game, and saw to it that those who were working with him did the same. He has just left us for the University, and his place has been taken by Lu Tak-cheuk, and I have no doubt that he will carry on the high traditions handed down to him.

A Prefect's dinner was held in Budree Villa and proved a great success. This is the third annual Prefect's dinner. The chief change has been the decision that the school year shall end in January or just before Chinese New Year, instead of in July. This means that all boys will get an extra 4 months—September to December—to study for their examinations. We hope and expect to see correspondingly better results. This change is beneficial partly because it is easier to work in the winter, and partly because Chinese New Year is the natural termination of the year for the Chinese. Owing to lack of staff, Queen's College was unable to accept all the boys who wished to enter from the top classes of the district schools. Accordingly 3rd classes were formed in Ellis Kadourie School, Sai-ying-pun and Wan-tai, (?) On the 1st of December the 3rd classes of Sai-ying-pun and Wan-tai were transferred to Queen's College along with Mr. Hamilton from Sai-ying-pun. The 3rd class from Ellis Kadourie School will be transferred here next term.

Health of School.—Dr. Valentine has examined 455 boys. Seventy boys or 15.4 per cent. required spectacles; 129 boys or 28.1 per cent. required attention to teeth. Dr. Valentine reported that the teeth on the whole were very good. Although a big percentage required attention, it was in many cases quite trivial.

Studies.—In July 91 boys were entered for the Matriculation examination of the University. Of those, 14 passed in the Matriculation examination and 1 in the Senior Locals.

One boy gained the President's Scholarship with Honours.

One boy gained Honours.

Three boys gained Canton Government Scholarships.

Seventy-six were entered for the Junior. Eight were absent and 50 passed, of whom 15 gained distinctions.

In the December examination 1 boy passed in the Matriculation and 9 in the Junior, of whom 9 obtained distinctions.

Pupil Teachers.—In January, 1920, six Pupil Teachers were promoted to Grade V. Assistantship, and 9 English Pupil Teachers were appointed, bringing up the total to 15.

An innovation was the appointment of 10 Vernacular Pupil Teachers, who were given a special course in Chinese with the object of training as Vernacular Masters. Later in the year, however, it was considered better that all Pupil Teachers should be trained at the University in future, accordingly, those who were able to matriculate entered the University as Teachers in Training in September last, while the remainder are preparing for the Matriculation Examination, and will proceed to the University in the course.

Athletics.—There has been great activity this year as regards football. In the Inter-class Competition every class, except Commercial 1, entered a team, making 19 in all; that is, there were more than 200 boys actually taking part in the games. We entered a team for each of the 3 leagues but did not occupy

first place in any of them. However, the training in physique and spirit of the corps was invaluable. Special mention must be made of Douglas Laing, who was always willing to lend a helping hand. The Masters spent much time and energy in supervising the improvements on the ground, and it is now in very good condition. We have an inter-class competition in Volley Ball, which gives practice to a very wide number of players as the game requires 12 a side. In tennis the Master Cup brings together present and past pupils in friendly competition. Swimming parties are taken out every week in the summer. There were also several all-day excursions. In our annual Aquatic Sports we were successful in retaining, against strong opposition, the Coronation Shield, open to teams from all schools in the Colony. In running we met with marked success. We won the team race at the Lusitano sports and at St. Joseph's College Sports. At the Hongkong Schools sports we won the Charter Cup for the Senior Team Race and also the Senior Championship. We have taken up boxing, and the well-known Mr. "Kid" Marriot says we have some very promising material. The noble art of self-defence is not as popular as it promised to be at one time, but the class has met with great regularity twice a week and has put in quite a lot of hard work. A Chinese Boxing Class has lately been started and about 60 boys have joined it. We entered for a Basketball League and were 3rd out of 5 teams. Last month we defeated a strong team from Canton.

Library.—The Library and reading-room continue to be of great service especially to the Upper Classes. Periodicals and illustrated papers are widely used. The new catalogue is the result of two years' hard work by the Librarian, Mr. Handyside, ably assisted by the prefects.

Q.C. Amateur Dramatic Association.—Theatrical performances were held in the College Hall, on 22nd, 23rd, and 24th December. The selected plays were "The Merchant of Venice" in Chinese, "The Two Half-sisters" and the "Two Detectives." Large houses were present on each occasion and the sum of \$1,058.20 and one gold ring were obtained thereby. The ring subsequently realised \$30. The money was divided between the Northern Famine Relief Fund and the Tung Pak War Distress Fund. Mr. Kong was chiefly responsible for this conspicuous success. We have also to thank the Old Boys who generously gave their services, the Lai Koo Band, and the numerous patrons who supported us.

The Old Boys' Association is now an established body and has already had two meetings. We have very many distinguished Old Boys who have always taken a deep interest in Queen's College and have given us a very generous support on all occasions. Among the most prominent of these is Sir Robert Ho Tung, whose portrait is soon to be unveiled by His Excellency. It is hoped that this Association will maintain and strengthen the good feelings that have always existed between Queen's College and its Old Boys. I trust that it will have a long and useful career in front of it, and will meet with the support from the Old Boys that it certainly deserves.

The Yellow Dragon. attained its majority in June when a special anniversary number of 64 pages with a new cover, designed by Mr. Crook, was issued. It contained a history of Queen's College, an article by Dr. Bateson Wright, who was Headmaster when the Yellow Dragon first saw the light of day, and numerous illustrations. The circulation averages 800 copies a month. The magazine finds its way into the 5 continents. The new Old Boys' Association promises to help the circulation of the magazine considerably. We hope to devote a page or more regularly to the doings of our Old Boys. During the past year it has been under the able editorship of Mr. Fletcher.

General.—The school has had a very prosperous year and has done very good work. I will not say there is no room for improvement. I think greater attention should be paid to colloquial English. There are several reasons for this weakness. There is too much of a tendency to work along stereotyped lines. The Chinese study their own language entirely from written characters, and they do not realise the importance of trying to speak English correctly. It is difficult to make them understand, as Browning says, "It were better youth should strive through acts unthought towards making than repose on aught found made." The words "repose on aught found made" are, I fear, only too applicable to those students who think that the high road to knowledge is a weary iteration of their reading and other books, instead of an intelligent interest in their surroundings and a desire to express in English the things they see around them, and to question their teachers about causes and effects.

In conclusion I desire to thank Your Excellency for honouring us by consenting to distribute these prizes. I desire also to thank those who have so generously contributed to the prize fund, the visitors for their attendance, and the staff for their loyal support during the year.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR said he was glad to have the opportunity of presenting the prizes because last year he was prevented by illness from accepting the invitation to be present. He congratulated the College on another year of excellent work, as shown by its records in the University examinations. The school was to be complimented, also, on the esprit de corps and sense of corporate unity that emerged from every paragraph of the Headmaster's report. He was glad to notice that so many of the boys were taking part in sports; they were not contenting themselves with looking on at gladiatorial contests but were playing games themselves. (Applause.) Another instance of the corporate feeling was the establishment of an Old Boys' Association, and he wished it every possible success. His Excellency felicitated the Yellow Dragon upon having attained its majority, and recalled that though not a regular reader, he had read the first number 21 years ago at the Colonial Office. He would put in a word of warning as to the Headmaster's remarks on the importance of speaking English colloquially—he did not think the student

should go to Browning for material to that end—(Laughter). There was an omission in the sports section of the report which could only be attributed to a mistaken excess of modesty. He heard no reference to "hat tricks," or the Governor's Cup for golf. The fact that such trophies could be won by Mr. Bird was really a credit to the school, for it showed that the responsibilities incidental to the charge of 500 boys did not prevent Mr. Bird from performing feats that many of his juniors were unable to do—(Applause.)

DOCTOR TO HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.—His Excellency continued:—There remains one pleasant duty to perform and that is to unveil a portrait of one of your most distinguished "Old Boys." Sir Robert Ho Tung—(Applause.) Sir Robert Ho Tung was a member of Queen's College from 1873 to 1878, was a monitor and pupil teacher for some time, and was high up in the first class when he left. The interest he has taken in the College and in education generally is very well-known. I see on my left a record of the Ho Tung scholarships, and, as you all know, Sir Robert was the donor of the Kowloon British School—(Applause.)

In addition to these gifts to education, Sir Robert has presented, in the past, a sum of \$100,000 to the University—(Applause.) He has given me the pleasure to-day of being able to announce a further donation to the cause of education, for Sir Robert has decided to present a further sum of \$100,000 to the University—(Loud applause)—bringing his total benefactions to that institution to over a quarter-of-a-million dollars—(Renewed applause.) Sir Robert came to see me yesterday and paid me the compliment of asking my advice as to the exact form his donation should take. I feel confident of the approval of at least one member of the audience when I say that on my advice, Sir Robert has decided to devote this \$100,000 to the provision of workshops for the Engineering Faculty (Hear, hear, and loud applause). These have been wanted for some time, and their provision will place the Faculty on a very sound basis. On behalf of the University, the Engineering Faculty, and of the community in general, I beg to express our most cordial thanks to Sir Robert Ho Tung for his generous benefaction—(Applause.) I have now pleasure in unveiling his portrait.

SIR ROBERT'S REPLY.
Sir Robert Ho Tung, in replying, said:—I thank your Excellency very heartily for the kind remarks you have made concerning me. I deem it a very high honour that my portrait finds a place in my own old school, among the portraits of men so distinguished as the late Dr. Frederick Stewart, Dr. Bateson Wright, and others whose lives remind us that we, too,

can make our lives sublime, and, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time."

Queen's College long ago earned for itself the fame of a household name throughout China. It has played a great part as a nursery for supplying that great Republic with men of character and learning in all walks of life. From the College have gone scholars to many Universities of the old and new worlds, until to-day there are men occupying high positions in the liberal professions who owe their early education to this institution, established by the British Government—(Applause.)

With reference to what your Excellency was good enough to say as to my recent donation to the Hongkong University, I deem it an honour that it has been my privilege to be able to assist an institution so closely identified with the Government of Hongkong. It is a source of no little gratification to me that I have been able to do a little towards helping the education of the rising generation—(Applause.)

The Prefect of the school, Wei Tat, expressed the thanks of the College to the Governor for his attendance and the proceedings concluded with cheers for the Governor and for the College.

PRIZE LIST, 1919-1920.

SCHOLARSHIPS.	
Senior Morrison	Chung Wai-san (Mat.)
Blake	Wei Tat
Senior Stewart	Tao Chak-chun
Wright	Lau Mo-tung
Senior Bellios	Chap Wai-chung
Ho Tung	Lu Tak-cheuk
Lee Hy-san	Wong Yuet-kwong
Ho Kom-tong	Wong Man-keung
Ho Fook	Lo Tung-fan
Junior Morrison	Ching Hing-chow
Senior Bellios	Li U-nan
Junior Stewart	Ng Shau-kwan
A. W. Grant	Chung Ping-nam
Ho Wing	Wong In-chung
Ho Kwong	Y. Y. Yee
Dealy	Chan Sik-kwong
	Mok Kai-tung
	Wong Yuk-kwong

GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS.	
(Full)	Leung Shu-to
	Ho Ka-chun
	Cheng Man-lam
	Kong Man-tan
	Leung See-lap
(Half)	Yee Shing-hing
	Fung Kai-sui

SPECIAL PRIZES.	
Ralphs' Head Prefect	Wei Tat.
Medal	Douglas Laing.
Macell Memorial Prize	Bellios Prize for Mathematics (Cl. I.)
Headmaster's Prize for Mathematics (Cl. II.)	Lu Tak-cheuk.
Prize (Cl. I.)	Wei Tat.
Prize (Cl. II.)	Ng Fook-hing.
Prize (Cl. III.)	Lo Tung-fan.
Prize (Cl. IV.)	Wei Tat.
Prize (Cl. V.)	Chung Wai-fung.
Prize (Cl. VI.)	Yik Kai-cheung.

Special translation, E. Chung Wai-san.

Special translation, C. Wei Tat.

History

Matriculation Class

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CORRESPONDENCE. HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—The long article which was contributed to your issue on Tuesday by a student on "The University of Hong-kong" is to my mind a deliberate insult on the University staff and University authorities. I need hardly say that the majority of the students do not share the views of the writer, who, in his zeal to have his name in print, overstepped himself. Clearly, the letter can serve no useful purpose, but may create greater estrangement and, perhaps, enmity, between the staff and the students. Instead of bridging the gulf that separates the undergraduates and the teaching staff, the writer, by violent efforts, has caused it to gape even wider. If there is a single result that the letter accomplished, it is to show the public that some students do display a lack of discipline. In any institution or organization, unless the members of it support the authorities that institution must assuredly fail. What progress can one expect for the University if the students do not support it, but pass unfair criticisms on the staff? Fortunately, there are few such irreconcilables in the University. If Mr. Ng is so dissatisfied with the University, why does he not leave it, instead of indulging in unfair attacks on those who are unable to defend themselves owing to their official positions? Why Mr. Ng should drag Mr. Mackintosh, of all the staff, into his dissertation is more than I can understand, as he said he "should like to look upon him (Mr. Mackintosh) as one who loves the University for its own sake."

His contention that the staff should call on the students first is really brilliant. Probably he would like them to be accompanied by their wives to pay homage to the students. He suggested that "the staff and students should congregate and enjoy each other's society," adding that "the lecturers' wives will undoubtedly add to the enjoyment, and monthly dances will be quite attractive." The advisability or non-advisability of holding such dances in a University consisting of Asiatic students, who are little versed in the art of dancing, I leave to the verdict of the public. Certainly there are usually not enough female partners at the dances given by the students, and with the presence of the lecturers' wives the dances would be "quite attractive."

His last suggestion beats all the rest for its impudence and presumption. He proposed to the University authorities that students should be represented in the Senate or the Council. His idea of democracy is to abolish all dictators, presumably the staff, and set up students to run the University. Such a doctrine would seem to prove the success of Bolshevik propaganda in our midst. It would seem that there is not such a word as "discipline" in Mr. Ng's dictionary. The merits or demerits of his efforts in the Press on behalf of the University I will leave to the public to judge. Thanking you in anticipation and enclosing my card—Yours faithfully,

The University, Hongkong,
2nd February, 1921.

YAU MATI GOVERNMENT SCHOOL.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The prizes at Yau mati Government School were distributed, yesterday morning, by Mr. Paoros de Martin.

In the course of his report the Headmaster mentioned that the average attendance in 1920 was the same as in the previous year, viz., 263. At the annual examination in July 202 boys passed out of 267. The staff now consisted of one English master, 10 local masters and three vernacular masters, and there were ten classes. In September Mr. Brown was transferred to Victoria British School, and the school had, also, to regret, the departure of Mr. Brown. The Library, which now contained 871 books, continued to be extensively used. It was managed by a committee of two masters and seven boys. The discipline of the school was excellent. In this regard useful assistance was rendered by the prefects. The health of the school was also excellent. In the autumn the whole school was examined by Dr. Woodman whose report was satisfactory. A number of boys whose eyesight was reported as defective were examined by Dr. Harston and where necessary spectacles were provided.

The school finished second in the Junior Schools' Football League—played 8, lost 1, drawn 1, won 6—points 13. The Headmaster took the opportunity of impressing upon parents and guardians that it was very important for the boys that they should attend regularly and not be withdrawn for trivial reasons, and in conclusion thanked his colleagues for their valuable work during the time he had been at the school.

The principal awards made to the boys included scholarships at Queen's College, won by Sun Shek Yung and Chan Yik Kiu, and the following special prizes: Chinese composition (presented by the Vernacular Staff), 1. Li Kwok Chun, 2. Chan Chang Chiu, 3. Wong Chan Wai, English composition, Class 4, 1. Li Chiu Yung, and Li Chung Long; Class 5, Ko Tao Kam; Class 6, Tuen Tuen Shing. Geography (presented by Mr. Ho Yau Tak), Tong Kam Ching. English subjects (presented by Ho Yau Tak), Wong Sing.

COMPANY MEETING. THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

The second ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., was held, yesterday, at its Registered Office, No. 2, Queen's Road Central.

Mr. Pong Wai Ting presided and there were present Messrs. Chow Shou Son, Koon Chun, Wong Yun Tong, Mok Ching Kung, Fung Ping Shan, Kan Ying Po, P. K. Kwok, Ng Chang Luk (Directors), Kan Tunk Po (Chief Manager), Li Tse Fong (Assistant Manager), and a number of shareholders.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, You will notice from the accounts which have been in your hands for some time that the result of the Bank's working for the year is very satisfactory. I will with your permission take them as read. The net profit for the year amounts to \$643,749.10, which it is proposed to deal with as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 6 per cent. on the paid-up Capital of the Bank, which will absorb \$120,000.
To pay a bonus of 2 per cent. on same, which will absorb \$40,000.
To pay a bonus to Directors, Holders of Founders' Shares, and staffs, \$77,703.69.
To write off Organization Expenses (Shanghai branch) \$7,825.73.
To write off Bank Premises Account \$30,000.
To transfer to the Staff Provident Funds \$2,554.35.
To transfer to Reserve Fund \$300,000.
To carry forward \$60,865.32.

The Bank's business shows a further improvement on that of the preceding year as reflected in some important alterations in the balance-sheet. The Directors have therefore decided to pay a bonus of 2 per cent. in addition to the 6 per cent. dividend originally stipulated, and to increase the reserve fund up to \$500,000, which, I trust, will have the whole-hearted support of the shareholders.

The Savings Department was established in the beginning of September, and I am glad to say that within two months the deposits swelled to hundreds of thousands of dollars. The Shanghai branch was formally opened for business on March 1st and is doing good business. The Saigon branch has been greatly enlarged, and, but for the political disturbance in Canton, the branch there should have been inaugurated some months ago. Many more agencies have also been established during the year, so the Bank is in a better position to give facilities to its customers. The purchase of the new Bank premises known as No. 10 and 10A, Des Voeux Road Central, was completed on August 1st. The property is still in course of reconstruction, and when it is completed, the Bank will move in for business, which will probably be some time in April this year. I now propose that the report and accounts as circulated be adopted, and that the balance at credit of profit and loss account, viz., \$643,749.10 be dealt with as proposed.

The motion was unanimously carried on being seconded by Mr. Fok Foo Tin.

Messrs. Kan Chiu Nam, Fung Ping Shan, P. K. Kwok, and Ng Chang Luk were elected as Directors for the current year, on the motion of Mr. Chow Shou Son seconded by Mr. Li Koon Chun.

The retiring auditors Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected *ad hoc*, on the motion of Mr. Wong Yun Tong seconded by Mr. Fung Ping Shan.

UNION CHURCH.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SEAT-HOLDERS.

The annual meeting of the seat-holders of Union Congregational Church was held last night, at the Church hall, Mr. J. L. McPherson presiding.

The annual report stated that thanks to a sale of work held by the ladies of the Church a deficit on the previous year had been converted into a credit balance of \$820. The report also noted an increase of \$605 in weekly offerings, accompanying a larger attendance at the services. Seat rents were well maintained. The fund established to celebrate the completion of the Church's 75th year, called the three-quarter century fund, and intended to provide for the expenses of pastors' furloughs, had been well-maintained and further donations of \$3,369 had been received during the year, bringing the total on deposit to \$18,140.

The accounts showed that, besides raising \$8,631 for Church purposes, \$2,278 was contributed to outside religious organizations. The sum of \$1,741 collected for the London Missionary Society was the largest raised in one year in the history of the Church.

The following officers were elected:—Trustees (to fill vacancies) Mr. C. C. Hickling and Mr. John Rodger; hon. sec., Mr. E. B. Cubey; hon. treas., Mr. F. O. Raney; committee of management, Dr. Mitchell, Mr. A. S. D. Couland, Capt. W. Davidson, Messrs. E. R. Dovey, J. McCubbin, A. McKenzie, J. L. McPherson, J. Mitchell, J. Rodger, A. Stevenson; Ladies Committee, Messdames Macdonald, McCubbin, Mitchell, Raney, Milne, Davidson, Dovey, A. T. Hamilton, McKenzie, J. Henderson, Hughes, Cubey, and Mudie. In the course of a short address, the Pastor, the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, urged the necessity of amending the constitution of the Church, to bring it more closely into line with Congregational principles of Church government.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

LAUNCH OF THE "HEKTOR."

Yesterday, at the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks, Mrs. A. S. Sorensen launched a vessel named the *Hektor*.

Of the two-deck type, with poop, bridge, and top-gallant forecastle, boat decks aft and amidships, and navigating bridge, the *Hektor* is representative of most modernly designed cargo steamers. The structural arrangement and underwater form is similar to the British "B" Class Standard which, during the war, proved so economical, its relatively high deadweight-speed ratio being associated with a very low cost per ton. To Captain Sigvald, Superintendent for Messrs. Brunsgaard Kisterud & Co., Drammen, Norway, must be given the credit for the up-to-date accommodation and highly efficient cargo-handling devices.

Saloon accommodation is provided for six passengers, officers and engineers, the fourteen handsomely furnished state-rooms being large and well ventilated. In accordance with Norwegian Government regulations, the firemen and seamen are accommodated in two-berth cabins in the poop, having separate mess rooms with skylights, shower baths and lavatories on deck. By means of a watertight trunk from the tunnel to poop, the firemen when off duty may return to their quarters, an arrangement affording a much-needed protection when at sea.

Special attention has been given to workshops and store-rooms, included among the latter being a large refrigerating chamber. Double winches and steel tube derricks to each of the five hatchways, warping winch on poop, steam windlass, steam steering gear controlled from the navigating bridge, hand-screw gear, electric lighting and fans, wireless telegraphy, and steam heating in all accommodation, bath-rooms, etc., contribute to the very complete hull specification.

The principal dimensions are as follows, viz., length between perpendiculars 400 feet, breadth moulded 32 feet, depth moulded to upper deck 31 feet, tween decks 8 feet, erections 7 feet 8 inches. A total deadweight of 9,220 tons will be carried on a mean draft of 23 feet 6 inches, the speed loaded being eleven knots per hour.

Propelling machinery constructed by the builders is amidships and of 3,100 indicated horse-power, consisting of one set of triple expansion surface-condensing engines having cylinders 27-44-73 inches diameter x 48 inches stroke, steam at 180 lbs. working pressure under forced draught being supplied by three cylindrical return-tube boilers of 15 feet 6 inches diameter x 11 feet 6 inches long. The engine and boiler room outfit includes a Weir's D.C. heater, and Weir's main feed pump, independent centrifugal circulating pump, also general service, ballast, and winch condenser pumps.

Unusual in cargo steamers is the See's Ash Ejector and Ash Ejector pump installed for disposal of ashes from the stove-hold. The coal bunkers are of large capacity, and provision has been made for carrying all fuel throughout the double bottom in accordance with Lloyd's requirements, the vessel having been specially surveyed during construction by Messrs. Gardiner & Morrison, local representatives for Lloyd's Register of Shipping. Panama Canal and Tonnage Certificates will be certified by Mr. R. Douglas, Marine Surveyor, Hongkong.

SUMMARY COURT.

(BEFORE THE POINTE JUDGE, (MR. J. B. WOOD).)

The Rev. Father A. Henriques sued Mr. George Theodore Lam for \$205 as damages for wrongfully removing the support of the soil of his bungalows at Ho Mun Tin and omitting to shore up or otherwise secure the plaintiff's compound and boundary walls.

The plaintiff alleged that, as a result of this omission, his house walls and compound were damaged. It was alleged that the boundary wall for a length of 60 feet had cracked and was leaning outwards slightly towards the defendant's building. The defendant had erected within ten feet of the boundary walls a building, part of which within such ten feet extended to a lower level than the foundations of the plaintiff's boundary walls. The plaintiff also alleged breach of the Building Ordinance, in that he had not received notice of the work.

The defendant admitted making excavations on his land but denied that he made them adjacent to the land of the plaintiff without leaving proper support for the adjoining property. The alleged damage, it was submitted, was not caused by the act of the defendant but from the nature of the plaintiff's soil, which consisted of fillings, and from the weight of the buildings in the defendant's land, causing compression of the soil in the plaintiff's land. Further, the defendant submitted that the damage was caused by the plaintiff's negligence in building the boundary wall next to the defendant's lot, instead of allowing the foundation to project equally on both sides. By reason of this faulty construction, rain percolating through the surface of the defendant's land caused the wall to settle on one side only, towards the defendant's lot.

Mr. D. J. Lewis, stated the case for the plaintiff, and the case is proceeding.

U.S. FOREIGN TRADE. BIG INCREASES.

A U.S. radio message received at Shanghai, says:—United States exports for the year 1920 amounted to \$9,228,000,000 and imports to \$5,270,000,000, being increases of \$908,000,000 and \$1,375,000,000 respectively compared with 1919. Exports to December aggregated \$720,000,000 and imports \$226,000,000.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB RACE MEETING.

THE ENTRIES.

We have received a printed copy of the entries for the coming Race Meeting which begins on Wednesday, February 23rd. As we have already stated, there is a record number of ponies in training this year. Consequently the entries for the various events are more numerous than usual. The greatest number of entries for any one event is 34 for the Jockey Cup, the first race on the second day.

For the Hongkong Derby there are 33 entries, and in view of the special interest taken in this event we reproduce the entries, viz.:

- 1.—Mr. John Bell-Irving *Soapy Sponge*
- 2.—Do. *Joggibury*
- 3.—Do. *Crowdy*
- 4.—Do. *Miserimus*
- 5.—Do. *Doleful*
- 6.—Mr. E. Des Vaux *Timour*
- 7.—Mr. Endeavour *Last Chance*
- 8.—Mr. Fash *Javelin*
- 9.—Do. *Dolphin*
- 10.—Do. *Harlequin*
- 11.—Do. *Leighton*
- 12.—Mr. Henry Ham *Speckled Mouse*
- 13.—Messrs. Joe & Gussie *White Clover*
- 14.—Do. *White Foam*
- 15.—Mrs. John Johnston *Adventurer*
- 16.—Sir Ellis Kadoorie *Taspo Chief*
- 17.—Do. *Republie Bay*
- 18.—Mr. R. Macgregor *The Renown*
- 19.—Mr. McMasso *Peradventure*
- 20.—Mr. Nemazeo *Parran*
- 21.—Sir Paul *Hope Dahlia*
- 22.—Do. *Empire Dahlia*
- 23.—Do. *Zeus Dahlia*
- 24.—Do. *Cost of Arms*
- 25.—Mr. John Peel *Ankle Deep*
- 26.—Do. *Paper Hoary*
- 27.—Mr. G. H. Potts *Invincible King*
- 28.—Do. *Moorland King*
- 29.—Mr. Soares *Forest Child*
- 30.—Do. *Dandy Child*
- 31.—Mr. Staves *Bolshevik*
- 32.—Mr. Stephen *Pure Silver*
- 33.—Do. *Hatton*
- 34.—Do. *Spyrie*
- 35.—Mr. Towers *Marble Tile*

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S FIXTURES.

The following are the 2nd Division fixtures for Saturday next:—*Carlisle* v. *United, Navy* "A" ground, 3 p.m.
Recreio v. *Staff and Departments*, Sookumpoo ground, 3 p.m.
South China v. *R.G.A. Res.*, South China ground, 3 p.m.
St. Joseph's v. *Club Res.*, St. Joseph's ground, 4.30 p.m.
Indian v. *Oilers, Navy* "B" ground, 3 p.m.
Punjabis v. *Kowloon*, St. Joseph's ground, 3 p.m.

CHINA NEW YEAR FIXTURES.

Arrangements have been made to play off the back fixtures of the *Carlisle* team together with those matches that were postponed last Saturday. The following fixtures will be played off on February 8th and 9th:—

St. Joseph's v. *Carlisle*, St. Joseph's ground, February 8th, 4 p.m.
United v. *Staff and Departments*, Club ground, February 8th, 2.30 p.m.
Kowloon v. *Recreio*, Navy "A" ground, February 8th, 2.30 p.m.
R.G.A. Res. v. *St. Joseph's*, Club ground, February 8th, 2.30 p.m.
Carlisle v. *Kowloon*, Navy "A" ground, February 8th, 2.30 p.m.

All League matches next Saturday and every match played after that date, except those fixed for February 8th and 9th, will commence at 3 p.m. and 4.30 p.m., instead of at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m., in the 1st and 2nd league respectively.

LEAGUE TABLE—2ND DIVISION.

The results of the 2nd Division matches played up to and including January 29th are as follows:—

	P	W	D	L	T	A	PT.
<i>St. Joseph's</i>	11	10	0	1	35	6	20
<i>R.G.A. Res.</i>	11	9	1	1	40	10	19
<i>Oilers</i>	10	7	2	1	28	16	15
<i>South China</i>	13	6	2	5	28	18	14
<i>United</i>	11	8	1	4	21	20	13
<i>Carlisle</i>	8	5	0	3	17	9	10
<i>Kowloon</i>	11	3	4	4	18	17	10
<i>Indians</i>	13	5	0	8	16	31	10
<i>Staff & Depts.</i>	10	4	1	5	18	18	9
<i>Hongkong Club</i>	13	4	0	9	15	23	8
<i>Punjabis</i>	13	3	0	10	13	62	8
<i>Club de Recreio</i>	11	1	2	8	11	28	4

RIFLE SHOOTING.

A match was shot off between H.M.S. *Hawkins* and H.M.S. *Titanic* at the Stonecutters Range on Sunday, and was won by H.M.S. *Hawkins* by 55 points, the scores being as follows:—

H.M.S. "HAWKINS."			
	200	500	600
Mr. Miller	45	44	40
Mr. Noss	38	43	39
Mr. Charlesworth	38	41	38
Mr. Bishop	30	42	32
Mr. Horton	29	37	29
Mr. Hudson	27	40	20
Mr. Chapman	22	24	20
Mr. Trowbridge	29	25	12
Total	288		

H.M.S. "TITANIA."			
	200	500	600
Mr. Jackson	35	41	30
Mr. Tapley	38	42	34
Mr. Barker	37	36	20
Mr. Douglas	40	37	22
Mr. Smith	25	40	33
Mr. Sigsworth	33	28	35
Mr. Perkett	26	35	30
Mr. Edmunds	30	18	20
Total	293		

BILLIARDS.

In the Ho Kon Tong tournament, at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, G. Haigh (—125) defeated Sgt. Marshall (—150) by 185 points (228 up) and J. Taylor (—150) defeated Sgt. Carpenter (—100) by 48 points.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

LADIES' GOLF

A CUP has been presented by Mr. K. S. HARRISON which will be played for under the following conditions:—
ELIMINATING COMPETITION during February over the First Nine Holes of the New Course, Failing. As many cards as desired may be returned. Men's tees to be used. Entries must be signed in the book provided, before starting.
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G. R.

TENDERS for the Supply of SEAMEN'S SUN HELMETS will be received up to Noon on the 14th FEBRUARY at H.M. Naval Victualling Yard, Kowloon.
 Tender forms and particulars can be obtained on application to
VICTUALLING STORE OFFICER,
 H.M. Naval Depot,
 Kowloon.
 Hongkong, February 1st, 1921. [385]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"LAHORE"
 Arrived Hongkong, on Feb. 2nd, 1921.
 From ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, BOMBAY, COLOMBO and STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out. Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary six hours before arrival of the Steamer.
 Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS.
 All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.
 No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, February 2nd, 1921. [386]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"KASHGAR"
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 From LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, PORT SAID, ALEX., COLOMBO & STRAITS.

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THE ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

THE FIFTH CHAMPIONSHIP RACE for Racing Yachts will be sailed on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6th. Preparatory gun for Handicap class at 10 A.M.
H. S. ROUSE,
 Hon. Secretary, Sailing Committee. [388]

G. R.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE.

NOTICE.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THIS OFFICE will be entirely CLOSED on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 8th and 9th FEBRUARY, 1921.
 Licensed Warehouse will be entirely closed on those dates.

N. L. SMITH,
 Superintendent,
 Imports and Exports.
 Hongkong, February 1st, 1921. [389]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after 14th FEBRUARY, 1921, the HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK will be Open on—

Week days from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.
 Saturdays from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon.
A. G. STEPHEN,
 Chief Manager.
 HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
 Hongkong, February 2nd, 1921. [390]

INTIMATIONS

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the Hongkong Daily Press, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

PLEASE note we have REMOVED our Office to Mercantile Bank Building, No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 3rd Floor.
MANNERS & BACKHOUSE, LTD.
 Hongkong, January 29th, 1921. [391]

NOTICE.

THE SHARE-HOLDERS of the BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE are herewith informed that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Frs. 20 per Share will be paid from FEBRUARY 1st, 1921, on presentation of their certificates at the Head Office, in Paris, and at any of its Agencies. Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [378]

IMPORT-EXPORT.

GENTLEMAN, with large experience in the Import and Export Trade in South China and capable of taking charge of departments, is open for immediate engagement. For further particulars, please communicate with—
 Box 397, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [392]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1921, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

THE REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, January 26th to FRIDAY, February 4th, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
 Secretary to the
 HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
 General Agents for
 THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, January 19th, 1921. [393]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1921, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from January 25th to February 7th, 1921, both days inclusive.
 By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
 Secretary.
 Hongkong, January 18th, 1921. [394]

HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

THE THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & COMPANY, LIMITED, Folders Street, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 11th day of FEBRUARY, at 5.15 A.M., to receive the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920, to elect Officers and Committee for the ensuing year and to transact any General Business.

By Order of the Committee,
G. MISKIN,
 Hon. Secretary.
 Hongkong, February 1st, 1921. [395]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th FEBRUARY, 1921, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th February to the 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, January 31st, 1921. [396]

THE INDOCHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

THE Directors of the above Company have declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND on Deferred Shares for the year 1920, at the rate of 8% per Share.

Dividends for Shareholders on the Colonial Register are free of Income Tax and will be paid at the rate of 2/10 per dollar.

Dividend Warrants will be obtainable on and after SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, 1921, at the Company's Office.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from February 19th, to February 25th, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, January 28th, 1921. [397]

PREPAID "WANTED" ADVERTISEMENTS.

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ROOM No. 1. [181]

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FURNISHED HOUSE on Peak or higher level, for summer months, would take over servants if required, no child.
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Box 305,
 Care of Daily Press Office. [398]

WANTED.

STEWARDRESS for steamer proceeding to Liverpool Middle of March, 1921. Applicants with previous experience and certificates of services only need apply.—**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.** [308]

WANTED.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF YELLOW RIVER BRIDGE FOR PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

THE PEKING-HANKOW LINE of the Chinese Government Railways invites sealed proposals for BRIDGE CONTRACTORS for Designing and Building a New steel Bridge about 2,800 meters in length across the Yellow River (Hwang-Ho). Proposals will be received up to Noon of JUNE 30th, 1921, at the Office of Peking-Hankow Railway, Peking, China. Plans, rules and specifications can be obtained from the following Offices:
 Peking—Peking-Hankow Railway, American, British, Belgian, French, Italian and Japanese Legations.
 Foreign—Chinese Legations, Washington, London, Brussels, Paris, Rome and Tokyo.
 All applications for same must be accompanied with 25.

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WAR MEMORIAL SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

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 The Hongkong Club.
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 " Engineers Institute.
 " Victoria Recreation Club.
 " Kowloon Cricket Club.
 " Kowloon Bowling Club.
 " Peak Club.
 " Club de Recreation.
 " Oraigongow Club.

M. J. BREEN,
 Hon. Secretary,
 War Memorial Committee.
 Hongkong, December 15th, 1920. [149]

STEAMERS FOR SALE.

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TERMS of Sale and full particulars may be ascertained on application to and permits for inspection will be issued by Messrs. Bousfield & Co., Singapore; Messrs. BULLOCK, BROS. & Co., Ltd., Rangoon; Messrs. MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Hongkong, and the undersigned.

Sealed Tenders should be lodged with Messrs. MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Calcutta. Offers must be in sterling and a deposit equal to five per cent of the amount tendered must be made with the Company's Agents at the Port of offer.

Tenders will be opened at Calcutta on Tuesday, the 28th March, 1921, and must be valid for 14 days after that date.

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 CALCUTTA. [394]

INTIMATION

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DEATHS.

DEAT.—At 2, Carlos-place, W. 1, on December 31st, MABEL PENLOPE, wife of EDWARD DEER, and daughter of the late G. L. Phipps Eyre.

PITT NIND.—At Henfield, Sussex, on December 18th, Lucy, widow of Ronald PITT NIND, and daughter of late JAMES B. ENDICOTT, of Macao, aged 84.

Hongkong Office: 10A, Des Vaux Rd. O
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 2ND, 1921.

THE JAPANESE PRESS AND THE ALLIANCE.

SOMEWHAT of a change has come over the tone of the Japanese Press in discussing the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and the renewal thereof, since it became known that Great Britain had notified Japan that the Peace Commission Treaty with America would be regarded as a general arbitration treaty within the meaning of Article IV. of the Alliance Treaty. As is well-known, Article IV. provides that the offensive and defensive alliance does not apply to countries with which one of the signatory Powers has a treaty of arbitration. At the time the Treaty was last renewed Britain had an arbitration treaty with the United States under which, but owing to the refusal of the Senate to ratify it the matter fell through. The absence of such an arbitration treaty with America, of course, made Japan's position vis-à-vis America considerably stronger, and the announcement that another treaty is to be regarded as a general arbitration treaty seems to have come as a surprise to the Japanese public, who, judging from the newspaper comments, would seem to know nothing of the terms of the Peace Commission Treaty. It has even been suggested that there is no such treaty in existence. Some of the papers have been asking why the existence of this treaty was not disclosed to the Japanese Government, seeing that it has such an important bearing on the Alliance Treaty, and hint that the British Government has only raked it up at the

last moment in the fear that the relations of Japan and America were reaching a critical stage. As we mentioned in an article on the subject a fortnight or more ago, the nature of this Peace Commission Treaty is perfectly well known to the Japanese Government, for when it was signed so anxious was the British Government, in the words of *The Times*, "to make its attitude clear in the contingency of any eventual controversy between Japan and the United States that it proceeded immediately to notify Japan that it would regard this Treaty as a general Treaty of Arbitration and within the meaning of Article IV. of the Anglo-Japanese Treaty of Alliance."

That was in 1914, so that if the Japanese public has been all this while in ignorance of the fact no blame for this can attach to the British Government. Baron HAYASHI, the Ambassador in London, no doubt acting under instructions, has recently endorsed Lord Northcliffe's remark, that in the event of an American-Japanese war Britain would be under no obligations to assist Japan, as a wise and opportune warning. Such an endorsement is significant even if we take it that Japan, as Baron HAYASHI claims, did not rely on the assistance of Britain in the event of a war with America. No doubt some questions about the matter will be asked in the Japanese Diet, which is now in session, and there may be some elucidatory explanation forthcoming, but in the meantime it is not going too far to say that Japan's foreign policy has taken a new orientation and the influence of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance has been obliterated.

It is true that it might still be useful against Russia, but Russia is now such an outcast among the society of nations that no one is likely to come to her help. In the circumstances it will be interesting to watch what form Japan's foreign policy will take. She is in Siberia and finds it exceedingly difficult to make a graceful exit. Business interests are being pushed for all they are worth. The latest news is that she is practically monopolising the Siberian fisheries, demanding that all the money paid for the leases should be lodged in her hands, owing to the unsettled state of the country. In other directions also the militarists are holding the door open for Japanese exploiters. The cleavage between the military and commercial interests in Japan is not so wide as to be always noticeable, however much the commercial interests may grumble at the expense and the danger of going too far. There is certainly a good deal of this to be crossed. The shooting of Lieutenant LANGDON at Vladivostok by a Japanese sentry is an ugly incident of which more will doubtless be heard. It illustrates what an anomalous position prevails at the Russian port when the city, still nominally Russia's, is guarded by Japanese sentries with instructions to shoot anybody who fails to acknowledge their supremacy.

But the chief question is what Japan intends to do with Eastern Siberia. Her announced intention is to preserve it from the Bolsheviks and to form a buffer State to prevent Bolshevik ideas from filtering into Japan. Her occupation of Russian soil may arouse a good deal of patriotism and cause many Russians to throw in their fate with the Bolsheviks temporarily for the sake of driving Japan out. Movements are already going on, and given peace on the western front of Russia, which seems probable, Japan may find herself involved in a war more strenuous than she expected.

Mr. H. H. Fox, C.M.G., the Commercial Attaché in China, and Mrs. Fox are passing through on the *Kashgar*. A marriage has been arranged and will shortly take place, between A. M. Reith, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Madeline Sidebottom, widow of John Nowell Sidebottom, Manila.

Among Hongkong residents who returned from home yesterday by the P. & O. steamer *Kashgar* were Mr. C. D. Wilkinson, Mr. E. J. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Leask, Mr. G. A. and Miss Hastings.

The police notify that one half of a \$100 note of the Mercantile Bank has been found. The owner can have the fragment on producing the other half or giving other conclusive proof of ownership.

The Governor-General appointee of the Dutch East Indies, Mr. D. Fock, had arranged to leave The Hague to-day, February 3rd, to embark at Naples on the a.s. *Prins der Nederlanden*, sailing from Amsterdam on February 30th. Mr. Fock will be accompanied by Miss Tellegen as private secretary and by Miss M. Kroesen, sister of General Kroesen, chief of the staff in the Dutch East Indies. Miss Kroesen will assist the Governor-General during the receptions at Batavia.

The following story was told on the Manchester Royal Exchange just lately. A China merchant received a cable "Cancel all orders immediately," to which he promptly replied "Cannot cancel immediately; you must wait your turn."

Hen-Chow Lee, a native of San Francisco, who was one of the first Chinese to enlist, and was killed in the last Argonne drive, has been buried at San Francisco under the auspices of the Chinese members of the American Legion, with high honours.

The *Peking Daily News* says that a ten per cent increase over last year's receipts is registered by the returns of the Salt Gabelle for 1920. The total amount of revenue realised was about \$80,000,000.

H.M.S. *Newcastle*, light cruiser, which was paid off for disposal earlier in the year, is to be prepared at Chatham for sale. The *Newcastle* was serving on the China Station at the outbreak of war, and was abroad throughout the hostilities.

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The Church of England Men's Society met last night, for the first time in the Church Hall, when the members listened to an address by the Rev. Mr. Pim, R.N., Chaplain to H.M.S. *Hawkins* on "Scouting." Mr. Pim gave an interesting account of the Boy Scout movement.

A shroff of the Chinese Customs service at Shanghai, "whose accounts seem to require some explanation" is being sought by the police. It is alleged that there is an amount of some £15,000 to be accounted for, but it is mentioned that the amount is covered by a guarantee.

Recruiting in the home areas is still a bit dull, but it is expected that after the New Year it will improve generally. In the meantime there will be a good many extensions of service called for in the battalions on foreign service, including those at Hongkong and Singapore, says a home paper.

We learn that the English mails were put on the P. & O. steamer *Lahore* at Singapore. Then the Postal authorities, learning that the ship expected to take six days to reach Hongkong, ordered the mails to be taken off again. The *Lahore* is due to reach Hongkong to-day. The *Shikhan-naru* came in with the letter mail last night.

There was a small attendance of members of the Ladies' Recreation Club at the annual meeting held at the City Hall yesterday. The accounts showed a balance in hand of \$295. The General Committee for the year was elected as follows:—Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Everton, Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Nisbet and Mrs. Ram.

At Messrs Christie's concluding sale of the year 1920, a pair of Chinese powdered-blue cylindrical vases, enamelled with plants in *famille-verte*, 17 in. high, Kang-He, the property of a lady sold for 1,100 guineas (Huggins); and a pair of Chinese *famille-verte* vases, enamelled with birds and flowers, 22 in. diameter, Kien-Lung, in the same property, brought 580 guineas (F. Partridge).

On Tuesday night, a number of matchboxes used by quartermen at Quarry Point were destroyed by fire. Originating in the largest of the sheds, the high wind carried the flames to adjoining structures. The Fire Brigade was not in time to prevent their total destruction; owing to the great distance of the place from the Fire Station. The inmates managed to rescue their personal possessions.

An interesting personality who arrived on the *Kashgar*, yesterday, is Captain E. R. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., who is as well-known for his association with Antarctic Exploration as for his meritorious work in the war. He entered the Navy in 1897, and served in the *Morning*, the relief ship to the Discovery Expedition, in 1902-04, and joined the British Antarctic Expedition as second in command, in October, 1909, returning in command of the expedition after the death of Captain Scott in 1912. A year later, he was in command of the *Mohawk* in the bombardment of the German Army right wing, Belgian Coast, and was mentioned in despatches. He was in command of the *Broke* in 1917, when that ship and the *Swift* had their memorable engagement with six German destroyers, in which Captain Evans' ship sank the G.55 and G.14, besides torpedoing a third German destroyer. Like Sir Ernest Shackleton, Captain Evans holds many foreign decorations. He was awarded the Chadwell Testimonial Prize by the Admiralty in 1907, received the C.B., in 1913, and the D.S.O., in 1917. He married in 1916 the "belle of Norway," Miss Elsa Andvord, of Christiania.

THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY

FURTHER MUNIFICENT DONATION

BY SIR ROBERT HO TUNG.

A munificent donation of \$100,000 to Hongkong University by Sir Robert Ho Tung, LL.D., was announced by H.E. the Governor at Queen's College Prize Distribution yesterday. This donation, which brings Sir Robert's benefactions to the University up to \$250,000, will be devoted to the provision of workshops for the Engineering Faculty, the department most in need of funds at the moment. Sir Robert has been a consistent friend of education, as is shown by his earlier gift of Kowloon British School to the Colony and by the scholarships which bear his name at Queen's College. It was, therefore, only fitting that his *alma mater* should honour him, yesterday, by hanging his portrait on its walls, side by side with those of other prominent men to whom the institution is indebted and as an inspiration to its other alumni.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

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ALLIES' REPARATION TERMS.
SENSATION IN THE REICHSSTAG.

Berlin, February 2nd.
As regards the Allies' reparation terms, Herr von Simons, speaking in the Reichstag, said that Germany will have to pay a total of 226 milliards gold marks during 4 years, or over 3,000 milliards paper marks, while the Allies' second demand was that Germany should, for 42 years, pay a 12 per cent. ad valorem tax on German exports. Thus, it is estimated that one or two milliards could be obtained from Germany by the latter way.—(Laughter).

Herr von Simons declared that it would have been impossible in the most flourishing days before the war to make such payments. The whole settlement was obscure and contained contradictions of the Treaty.

Herr von Simons declared that the programme meant complete economic enslavement of the people, especially the workers.—(Sensation.) The ad valorem export tax was unconscionably heavy, and would be injurious both at home and abroad, and with a rise in the rate of exchange of the mark these conditions would throttle the export industry.—(Cries of "Quite right.")

Herr von Simons asserted that the Allies could not punish Germany for not accepting the proposals. Otherwise there was no longer a proposal, but an ultimatum. He declared that the Allies' threat to refuse Germany entry into the League of Nations was premature, as Germany had not asked for admission.—(Applause.)—At present the inducement to enter was not so great as to counteract the terrors of non-entry.

Herr Hoffman, a Communist, followed Herr von Simons, and sharply criticised the Minister's statement. Herr Hoffman was subjected to a great deal of interruption.

The debate was adjourned until to-day.
LONDON PRESS VIEWS OF
GERMANY'S "BIG DRUM."

LONDON, February 2nd.
The speech of Herr von Simons is characterised by the morning press as insolent, while the Reichstag scene is declared to have been carefully stage-managed for the country with a view to furthering Berlin's policy of pay how much and when the German Government pleases. The counter-proposals, it is stated, will unquestionably be boomed in the German Press with a view to demonstrating how incapable the country is to face the Allied financial demands. Meanwhile, some German industries do not favour this neither-nor propaganda, foreseeing that with the further depreciation of the mark, which is inevitable, fresh wages demands and labour troubles are sure to follow.

Herr von Simons' speech is regarded as banging the big drum, with a view to keeping the door open for fresh negotiations at the London Conference, when the Germans hope to meet the Allies on an equal footing.

AMERICAN POINTS OF VIEWS.

New York, February 2nd.
The American Press and the prominent politicians generally criticise the German indemnity terms on the ground, that they are larger than the Germans are able to pay and that they are likely to react unfavourably on the United States.

The New York World, which is the Wilson organ, contends that tax on exports would reduce the volume of exports to America, and thus prevent the establishment of credits for the purchase of raw materials necessary for Germany's rehabilitation.

The New York Times says that the real test will come when the Allies attempt to exchange German gold bonds for foodstuffs in America.

The Tribune, which is Republican, however, declares that it is more important for the United States that the Allies recover rapidly than for Germany to do so. Judge Gary, interviewed, said that Germany was able to pay, and would pay with great benefit to the world's commercial situation.

M. POINCARÉ'S VIEWS.

Paris, January 31st.
A Havas message says:—
In an article in *Le Matin*, the former President, M. Poincaré, gives his views regarding the results of the recent conference. Germany, he says, is mistaken if she believes that France is not as resolved as ever to obtain satisfaction regarding German disarmament and the payment of reparation. To pretend that France aims at the annexation of the left bank of the Rhine or at even temporary occupation of further German territories without imperative necessity is sheer calumny and gross absurdity.

BRUSSELS EXPERTS CONFERENCE.

Paris, January 31st.
A Havas message says:—
The Brussels Experts Conference is to meet on February 7th. German delegates have been invited.

EARLIER CABLES.

REFUSAL TO NEGOTIATE.

Berlin, February 1st.
In the Reichstag, Herr von Simons concluded a long criticism of the Entente's reparation demands in Paris by saying that "not having yet received any invitation to the London Conference, the German Government can neither refuse nor agree to participate therein, but it declares now, and at once, that it refuses to negotiate on the basis of the decisions of the Entente and intends to put forward counter-proposals."

Reichstag members attended in large numbers, but a few assembled outside to learn the decision.

Herr von Simons, after a brief historical review, expressed the greatest surprise at the abrupt abandonment of the Bervoux scheme (M. Bervoux is the French

delegate on the Brussels Conference of Financial and Economic Experts), which, he said, was supported by both the British and French representatives. Herr von Simons defended the Government against the reproach of not having advanced proposals. He recalled his own proposals at Spa and described the Entente Note as the heaviest outcome of difficult negotiations. He declared that the Government would loyally carry out its obligations as regards disarmament and communicate with the various State Governments on the subject. He then discoursed at length as regards reparations.

Herr von Simons uttered a warning against the "superstition" that more was obtainable from the German people by dictation than by negotiations. Following the exact words of his declaration, mentioned earlier, he said:—"It is impossible to regard the Entente reparation proposals as a basis of negotiations. It will, however, be our duty, despite great difficulties, to make every effort to put forward clear counter-proposals."

GERMANY REGARDS THEM AS IMPRACTICABLE.

Berlin, February 1st.
The statement by the Foreign Minister, Herr von Simons, in the Reichstag to-day, is awaited most excitedly.

Yesterday's Cabinet meeting was summoned to consider the Allied Note embodying the decisions of the Paris Conference. It lasted till a late hour, after which it was reported that Herr von Simons had resigned, but to-day it is believed that he will retain office.

According to the *Boersen Zeitung*, Herr von Simons will tell the Reichstag that Germany cannot accept the Allied demands, because they are impracticable. He will explain the German Government's idea of a settlement and declare that the invitation to the London Conference on February 25th will only be useful if it deals with what is possible, not with what is impossible.

It is rumoured that negotiations are proceeding to induce the Majority Socialists and the German Nationalists to enter the Government in the hope of creating a united front.

GERMANY'S DECISION.

The German Government has rejected the reparations terms.

COAL CONTROL.

REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS IN UNITED KINGDOM.

LONDON, February 2nd.
In view of the increased output and the slackened home demand and the fact that export prices are now approximately the same as home prices, the Government has decided to de-control coal from the 1st of March. All restrictions as regards pit head prices for distribution in the United Kingdom are abolished. The position is unchanged as regards foreign bunkers and exports, which are freely allowed subject to one slight restriction.

EFFECTS OF DE-CONTROL.

LONDON, February 2nd.
The de-control of the price of coal is obviously a step towards giving effect to the Government's declared policy of releasing industry from bureaucratic control as soon as possible. Control was originally imposed to guard against a shortage of inland supplies, in consequence of the very high export prices. The latter have now descended to the same or even to a lower level than controlled maximum home prices. The new order removes the prohibition of collieries from only supplying specified districts. Experts are uncertain of the effects of de-control, but they confidently anticipate that the price of the poorer quality will fall, owing to the large available supplies. The price of the higher grades may increase somewhat. The only remaining restriction on export is that the district coal committees must be satisfied that there is no shortage for inland use.

HIGHLAND CROFTER

SCHEME OF SUBSIDIES AND LOANS.

LONDON, February 2nd.
Better housing conditions for the Highland crofter are promised as the result of a new scheme of financial assistance combining a subsidy to the crofter by the Scottish Board of Health ranging from £100 to £120 and loans by the Scottish Board of Agriculture ranging from £150 to £200 per cottage. The Board of Agriculture will also defray the cost of transit of the materials, estimated at £40 per house. Building must be completed within the period applicable to the private builders' subsidy—namely, December next.

HINDU AND SIKH HEROES.

PRINCE OF WALES UNVEILS MEMORIAL.

LONDON, February 2nd.
The Prince of Wales was welcomed by cheering thousands at Brighton as he motored to Patcham Downs, where he unveiled a memorial to the Hindus and Sikhs who perished in the war. In a speech, His Royal Highness said that in the ordinary course of events he should now have been in India. Perhaps next year he might meet and speak with Indians who had been cared for at Brighton.

UNREST IN INDIA.

STUDENTS AND NON-CO-OPERATION.

BOMBAY, February 1st.
The Non-Co-operation propaganda is intensifying in Bombay; 750 students have left college. There are two schools in the "Non-Co-operative" movement, of which one advises the students to engage in propaganda in the villages, whilst the other seeks to start a National College immediately.

MILLHANDS RESUME.

BOMBAY, February 1st.
The Kohinoor millhands have resumed work.

LATEST CABLES.

WORSE THAN THE GREAT WAR.

MENACE OF PESTILENCES TO THE WORLD.

LONDON, February 2nd.
The report of the Ministry of Health furnishes a grave warning, which, it says, is applicable to all parts of the world, regarding the possibility of further epidemics similar to those in 1918 and 1919, which were responsible for more deaths than the whole war.

A number of the most eminent medical men state that the world's outlook as regards future pestilences is gloomy.

Throughout the carefully prepared report, it is plain that the influenza epidemic remains a mystery. In spite of all experiments and bacteriological tests and other data, medical men are at a loss to define the cause or offer a cure. They are of the opinion that conditions over wide tracts of the world will be favourable for further epidemics for at least another generation.

BOLSHEVISTS ATTACK BRITISH OUTPOSTS.

VIGOROUS AND SUCCESSFUL BRITISH COUNTER-ATTACK.

LONDON, February 2nd.
A message from Tehran says that a small body of Bolshevists, on January 30th, attacked British outposts in North-West Persia. The British forces vigorously counter-attacked, and 12 Bolshevists were killed and 27 taken prisoner. The British forces had no casualties.

AMERICAN PACIFIC SQUADRON.

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION IN CHILE.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, January 29th.
The American Pacific Squadron, consisting of 7 dreadnoughts and 18 destroyers, is visiting Valparaiso to demonstrate American friendliness towards Chile.

A second squadron of the same strength is lying off Callao, where it met with a most cordial welcome. Subsequently, the squadrons will carry out combined manoeuvres.

OIL EXPORT FORBIDDEN.

NEW MEASURE BEFORE SENATE NAVAL COMMITTEE.

LONDON, February 2nd.
According to a telegram from Washington, Mr. Daniels (Secretary of the Navy) has approved the Bill authorising the President to declare an embargo on the exportation of oil. It has been referred to the Senate Naval Committee.

SOVIET AGENTS IN FRANCE.

POLICE MAKE ARRESTS.

PARIS, January 31st.
A Havas message says:—
The French Police is investigating the underground dealings of several foreigners, mostly Russian suspects, who are Soviet agents. Two arrests have been made.

IRISH UNREST.

SINN FEIN THREATS TO LADY GEDDES.

LONDON, February 2nd.
A telegram from Washington says that Lady Geddes, during the absence of her husband in England, has been flooded daily at the Embassy, with insulting and threatening letters from Sinn Fein members warning her of the abduction of, injury to and kidnapping her children. The police are taking special precautions.

EARLIER CABLES.

FIRST MILITARY EXECUTION.

LONDON, February 2nd.
The first execution under martial-law in Ireland was carried out to-day, when a Kerry farmer condemned for unlawful possession of a lead revolver was duly shot at Cork.

FATHER DOMINIC'S SENTENCE.

LONDON, February 1st.
Father Dominic will be imprisoned at Wormwood Scrubs.

U.S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

PROBABLE EFFECT OF SUSPENSION.

WASHINGTON, February 1st.
Giving evidence before the Senate Naval Committee, Admiral Cootz declared that a six months' suspension of shipbuilding operations would involve the Government in at least ten million dollars extra expenditure in compensating contractors.

INAUGURATION OF NEW PRESIDENT.

REQUEST TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

WASHINGTON, February 2nd.
The President-elect, Senator Harding, has requested President Wilson to call a special Session of the Senate on March 4th for his inauguration, in accordance with custom.

"THE HOUSE MUST REMEMBER."

"The House must remember," said Mr. Braco the other day, "that millions are not all University men." Whereby hangs a story of a name M.P. who, at dinner, was rather thoughtlessly asked by his fair partner to translate a Latin tag used by one of the speakers. Quite equal to the trying occasion, he assumed a blush, and waved a hand which clearly indicated that the Latin saying was not for a lady's ears. "You really don't mean to say—?" his incredulous partner was beginning, when his hand waved again. "Please don't ask me any more," he pleaded, adding "truthfully, I really could not tell you."

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

SHIP'S OFFICER CHARGED WITH UNLAWFUL SHOOTING.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

SHANGHAI, February 1st.
Vincent Dawson, third officer of the B.I. s.s. *Takada*, has been committed for trial at the Supreme Court on a charge of attempting grievous bodily harm against a police constable. The evidence showed that the prisoner fired several shots while travelling in a ricksha.

SHANGHAI SMUGGLING CASE.

A STARTLING JUDGMENT.

SHANGHAI, February 1st.
Mr. Hutchison, the British Assessor at the Mixed Court, has delivered a startling judgment in the case in which a Chinese dealer was charged with smuggling rice to Hongkong. The case was dismissed on the ground that the recent municipal proclamation forbidding rice profiteering is not legal until ratified by a meeting of ratepayers. The community is disagreeably surprised at the limitations of the municipal council.

END OF THE WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

BRITISH CONSUL'S TRIBUTE.

SHANGHAI, February 2nd.
At the final meeting of the China and Japan War Savings Association, Sir Edward Fraser, Consul General for Great Britain, who proposed the winding up, which was carried, paid a high tribute to the work of the organization during its brief existence.

SHANGHAI MIXED COURT.

NEW TRIBUNAL SUGGESTED.

SHANGHAI, February 1st.
A Peking advice states that a recent meeting of the Judicial Research Committee discussed proposals for the abolition of the Shanghai mixed court, substituting a new tribunal to deal with Chinese and foreign cases, foreign lawyers sitting in the capacity of magistrates. The proposals which are based on a similar system in Siam are not taken seriously.

KING OF DENMARK VISITING FAR EAST.

SINGAPORE, February 1st.
It is reliably stated that the King and Queen of Denmark are proceeding to the Far East, visiting Japan and arriving in Singapore early in May, then proceeding to Siam.

IMPORTANCE OF ANGLO-CHINESE CO-OPERATION.

LONDON, February 2nd.
The Chinese Minister, Mr. Alfred Soe, has written to the Press expressing gratitude for the kindness and courtesy shown him in England. He emphasises the importance of Anglo-Chinese friendliness and anticipates an increase in it, but he says that as long as Great Britain is an Asiatic Power, with territory continuous with China for a thousand miles, British and Chinese interests alike demand not only friendliness but co-operation. The industrial development of China is a field for British and Chinese co-operation. Not only China and Great Britain but the whole world will benefit from this application of British capital and skill to the development of Chinese resources, but if Anglo-Chinese co-operation is to become fruitful, it is essential that some proportion of the younger generation of the Chinese be brought under the direct influence of British ideas and methods by means of education. The British must attract towards Great Britain some makers and workers of the China of to-morrow.

MRS. WELLINGTON KOO.

LONDON, February 1st.
The *Daily Express*, in an article, eulogises the charms of Mrs. Wellington Koo, whom it describes as "Western to the finger-tips." She is always dressed in the latest Paris creations, and no society function is complete without her and her sister, Countess Kan. Both sisters drive their own grey-painted two-seaters through London traffic. She is a great art collector and theatre-goer, while her keen interest in world politics is evidenced by her frequent appearance in the Ladies' Gallery in the House of Commons. She should greatly assist her husband, who is the new Chinese Ambassador to London.

CHINESE FLOUR ANALYSIS.

LONDON, February 2nd.
With reference to the nervousness aroused by the use of a small percentage of Chinese flour in the manufacture of bread as the result of two samples taken at random, the Wheat Commission's analytical examination is distinctly reassuring. Of the constituents 76 per cent. consists of mealings and sugar, digestible carbohydrates, 9 per cent., albuminous compounds, 13 per cent., while moisture, fibre and mineral matter represent a small fractional percentage. Both samples are certified free from chestnuts, peanuts and soy beans.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

WASHINGTON, February 1st.
State Department officials state that the Japanese-American negotiations will have to be left to the Harding Administration for complete solution, as the long-standing question will require more time than remains to the present Government.

SHANGHAI'S CIVIC PROBLEMS.
NEED FOR A BROADER POLICY.

THE DUTY OF RATEPAYERS.

The need of fostering a civic consciousness in vital problems affecting the well-being of the Model Settlement, was the subject of an address by Mr. A. J. Hughes, at the annual general meeting of the Civil League, at Shanghai last week. "There is a feeling," said Mr. Hughes, "among a large number of residents that had there been more opportunity in the past for public discussion of affairs, many of our present day problems would not be so difficult of solution as they are."

The lecturer then reviewed some of the most pressing problems of Shanghai Municipal administration.

There was no city in the world where traffic problems were so complex and acute. Throughout the Settlement there was scarcely a road wide enough to meet traffic requirements. These requirements would rapidly become greater. Less than a year ago the engineer-in-chief of the Huangpu Conservancy Board stated that "the importance of China's trade and Shanghai's position entitled this town to become a first-class world port." With the development of Shanghai as such, the transport problem would grow even more difficult to solve.

FRANK DISCUSSION WANTED.

At present circumstances seemed to justify the belief that all was not being done that might be done to relieve the congestion and provide for future requirements. Surely it would be a wise policy on the part of the Council to take the ratepayers and residents into their confidence in this connection, and permit the chief of the Department of Public Works to meet the question with them.

Another very important matter, said Mr. Hughes, "is that of public utility monopolies, such as the Tramway Service, Telephones, etc. Just before the war began to run in Shanghai we had a visit from one of the best known authorities on electric traction in the person of Sir Clifton Robinson. He expressed the opinion to me that Shanghai was no confidence in this connection, and perforce for electric trams on rails, owing to the narrow and congested streets, and stated that unless the streets could be widened the time might come when the rails would have to be removed and motor buses substituted. In other respects the service is open to severe criticism and is far from satisfactory. Although some allowance must be made for local conditions affecting its operation, there is a very general belief that a more efficient service could be provided."

"The ratepayers have paid dearly for their experience in granting these public utility monopolies without sufficiently protecting the interests of the community, and undoubtedly public interest in future will be much keener and more critical when the time comes for granting an extension of them."

PROFITTEERING IN HOUSES.

Another problem, now the subject of much comment and arising out of the rapid growth of Shanghai's population, is that of house accommodation. There is a serious shortage and profiteering is rampant. Only recently a tenant of a down town flat informed me that he had sold his lease to his landlord for Ts. 4,000 which means of course that the next tenants will have to make the bargain profitable.

"The question of Settlement Extension is hardly worth a reference as the doors of opportunity that have been opened occasionally are shut, bolted and barred, and cannot now be re-opened—except possibly to admit of a compromise on the basis of granting to the Chinese a share in the Government of the enlarged municipality. No more flagrant example can be adduced of the "it will serve our time" policy which seems to have been characteristic of our city fathers in the past. This matter and the appalling traffic conditions fully justify the demand for wider opportunities of expressing public opinion on civic affairs."

MATTERS FOR ATTENTION.

There are many other matters to which public attention should be directed affecting the welfare of all residents foreign and Chinese in this Settlement such as labour problems, provision for an international park to which the Chinese can be admitted, the Registration of Companies, provision for indigent foreigners, etc.

"The Municipal Council's policy of discouraging criticism and public discussion of civic affairs must be abandoned. Well-intentioned criticism and discussion and a keener interest in such affairs will be of benefit to the administration and the community. The absence of it tends to an oligarchic form of Government, not sufficiently responsive to rapidly changing conditions and the needs of the people, a tendency to perpetuate old and effective ideas, extravagance and resentment of criticism to which in Shanghai the administration has for so long a time been generally unaccustomed."

DEMOLITION OF PARIS FORTIFICATIONS.

AN UNEMPLOYMENT MEASURE.

A French wireless message to Shanghai states that, as an unemployment measure, the prefect of the Seine has just decided to extend operations on the demolition of the fortifications of Paris, spreading them over a large number of battions in order to give employment to more workmen as occasion requires.

THE CANTON CUSTOMS.
OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

We have received from Mr. Hing-Yun Loo, M.A. (Oxford), of the Inner Temple, London, Barrister-at-Law, Chief of Department, Foreign Office, Military Government, the following official statement: "With the view to establishing the authority of the Military Government in the Constitutionalist Provinces, the Military Government decided on 15th January last that the Chinese Maritime Customs functioning in these Provinces should be subject to its orders and control. The Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs was notified accordingly."

"The Military Government has now the assurance from the Inspector-General that he acknowledges, as always, the authority of and takes instructions from the Military Government."

"This official statement is therefore published in order to allay misunderstanding (if any) by the foreign public, that the Military Government intended to interfere with the foreign loan service arrangements in any way prejudicial to the interests of foreign creditors."

"Canton, February 1st, 1921."

FINANCIAL SITUATION IN CANTON.

A Chinese News Agency has circulated the following statement of the financial situation at Canton as it presents itself for the New Year settlement:—

The sum to be paid before the China New Year is:—

Army and Navy \$1,500,000
Fund to People's army and other forces 500,000
Administrative Expenses 500,000
Naval Expense in arrears 800,000
Administrative Expenses in arrears 1,200,000
Total \$4,500,000

The Revenue, collected to January 24th:

Salt Gabelle \$600,000
Tax on tobacco, wines and spirits 200,000
Miscellaneous duties 250,000
Liquor 300,000
Miscellaneous revenue 200,000
Out of a loan from General Chamber of Commerce of \$1,000,000 700,000
Total \$2,250,000

The total deficit is \$2,250,000. A further instalment of the loan from the General Chamber of Commerce is expected of \$300,000; also \$300,000 from the Chambers of Commerce of various other places, and about \$1,000,000 from land tax by which the deficit will be made good. Further payments, however, will require to be made and it is rather doubtful if the people and the Chambers of Commerce of Kwangtung who have suffered from heavy extortions of local officials will be able to pay the sum expected in time. The financial authorities are having much difficulty in raising funds and are trying to raise foreign loans, but it may not be an easy matter.

[The foregoing statement contains no reference to the sum of nearly \$3,000,000 deposited in foreign banks by Dr. Wu Ting Fang before his flight to Shanghai. The injunction restraining Dr. Wu from withdrawing these funds has just been cancelled by the Mixed Court at Shanghai.—Ed. H.D.P.]

JAPAN AND THE ARMAMENT QUESTION.

STATEMENTS IN THE DIET.

In the Japanese House of Representatives, recently, Count Uchida, the Foreign Minister, replying to an interpellation declared that it was unnecessary for Japan to take the lead in proposing a limitation of armaments, because her present naval projects were the minimum compatible with national defence, but the Government was willing to consider any foreign proposal on the subject.

The Minister of War, Baron Tanaka, however, stated that the project for increasing the Army from 21 Divisions to 25 had been suspended for the next ten years.

Mr. Kotaro Motomizuki (Kensetsuki), in the course of a violent criticism, declared that the Japanese were undoubtedly completely isolated.

Mr. Nishimura (Kokuminto) declared that Japan was branded as a militaristic nation, second to Germany, because half of her Yen 1,500,000,000 budget was devoted to armaments. A substantial reduction would disabuse the world's suspicions on this score.

VLADIVOSTOK SHOOTING AFFAIR.

STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION.

Replying to an interpellation in the Lower House, at Tokyo, on January 21st, regarding the shooting affair at Vladivostok, the Minister of War, Baron Tanaka, announced that the matter was still under investigation.

The investigation so far made it appears probable that the matter had been first, but the only question as yet undecided was the degree of justification for his doing so. The unusual lateness of the American's appearance on the streets had doubtless increased the possibility of misunderstanding.

The question was not an international one. The American local authorities were most confident in the Japanese spirit of fairness and awaited the result of the investigation with patience and satisfaction. Japan, he declared, was justified in policing Vladivostok, having been entrusted with that most important mission by the Consular Body.



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WATCH THE BLUE-EYED MAN! HOW MURDER LURKS IN AN AZURE TINT.

BY THE AUTHOR OF "CRIME AND THE
CRIMINAL."

Count Lombroso, the criminologist, has drawn up an elaborate table of statistics with regard to the eyes of murderers convicted in Italy. The list covers ten years, and this constant fact emerges: The characteristic eyes of the murderer convicted for a crime of passion is blue, accompanied by a staring expression.

Out of 3,000 convicted criminals whose offences were committed against women, the overwhelming percentage of blue eyes was the striking feature. Very few had grey; next came hazel and mixed hazel, then brown.

In our own country blue eyes have certainly been associated with some very callous crimes of passion. And in each case the blue has been noticed to be particularly bright, or "hard," as it is termed, with the brightness intensified by the trick of persistent staring.

Dr. Crippen's eyes were very noticeable, and generally spoken of as unpleasant. Prominent and vivid in colour, his intense gaze had an odd effect on people. Several who were brought into close contact with him in business spoke of them as producing a "creepy" feeling.

Dougal, the murderer of Miss Camille Holland at the Most Farm, had blue eyes of the character mentioned. His nature was essentially cruel and depraved. Smith, the "brides-in-the-bath" murderer, was another criminal who preyed with callous indifference on women. His "bright blue eyes that at times seem to terrify me by their brightness" were commented on by his last victim, Miss Lofly.

Mr. Raitt, the Rainhill ruffian, who butchered and buried the whole of his family, had blue eyes that he used with hypnotic intensity. He had the trick of staring at the person he was talking to; no doubt this was unconscious, but its unpleasant effect was commented on. Indirectly it led to his arrest, for despite his disguise he was apprehended on suspicion of being the "wanted" man from the fact that the eyes of blue had been mentioned in the official description.

Lombroso is careful to distinguish particularly varying shades of blue as relating to the human eye. The soft and fascinating tint, about the hands and women, almost always indicates a kind and benevolent disposition, exactly as the hard and blazing variety too often accompanies the callous individual as mentioned above. Mrs. Pearce, the slayer of Mrs. Hogg at Hampstead, possessed what may be called remarkable eyes. At the first sight they appeared beautiful. But the strange lightness of them, combined with the persistent stare with which she regarded people, was quickly found to be unpleasant, and gave a sinister impression.

Jonathan Wild, the celebrated "thief-taker" and destroyer of Jack Sheppard, was a man of learning who had a taste for collecting facts about the habits of criminals who named through his hands. He mentions the fact that "of the many men and women that I have seen set out from Newgate Prison to Tyburn Tree or Kennington Common, most of the most hardened wretches have had blue eyes. And yet rogues and poets rave about 'eyes of blue.'"

Jonathan Wild was himself hanged. And he, too, possessed a pair of "bright, peepers," as he was wont to call them. Express.

BEST NOVEL OF THE YEAR. FARMER'S SON WINS FRENCH ACADEMY PRIZE OF 2480.

The Académie Goncourt, at Paris, which has done much to help young literary men and women, and has brought to the public notice many hitherto unknown and talented artists, has revealed another novelist to the French literary world.

The ten members of that body recently awarded its much-coveted prize of 12,000 francs (2480) for the best novel of the year to M. Ernest Peruchon, a school teacher in the little village of Vouille, in the Vendée district, for his novel Nene.

Up to that day M. Peruchon, who is 35 years old, was entirely unknown although he has published in the provinces several volumes of poems and three novels.

The story of Nene is that of a young country maid employed on a farm. The farmer's wife dies, leaving two young children, and Nene, the maid, devotes her life to bringing up the two children.

Some years later the farmer marries again to an intriguer who does needlework at the farmhouse. The woman is jealous of the love of the children for the maid, and does everything possible to kill this affection. When the poor girl discovers that the woman has succeeded in the suicide in the farm pool.

None of the members of the Goncourt Academy knew M. Peruchon, but one of them happened to read his novel, and was so enthusiastic about it that he recommended it to his colleagues. There were many well-known artists standing as candidates for the Goncourt Prize, but the modest schoolmaster of the Vendée carried off the trophy.

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DUKE OF YORK AS SENIOR WARDEN.

The Duke of York was inducted into the Senior Warden's Chair of the Navy Lodge of Freemasons at Prince's Restaurant on December 2nd.

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OUR LONDON LETTER

THE EDUCATION OF CHINESE STUDENTS IN ENGLAND.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]
LONDON, December 2nd.

FRENCH "GODCHILDREN."

The extension of the idea of the "adoption" of towns and cities in the devastated French area by some English city, much in the same way that a poor and suffering child might be befriended by a kindly-disposed foster-parent, is doing an enormous amount of good in cementing the bonds of human brotherhood between France and Britain. We are not wealthy as a nation in the sense that used to be quite true, but we are better off than the French, and our willingness to give them a helping hand in this respect is deeply appreciated.

The latest adoption was formally made this week, when London became the god-mother to Verdun and to several devastated villages in the neighbourhood. As Mr. McKenna, speaking at the Mansion House, truly said, Verdun was the heart and soul of France during the war, and it is appropriate that it should be adopted by the heart of the British Empire.

Arrangements for adoption are made by the British League of Help, and Verdun as the god-child of London is the fifteenth French town so treated. Several of the London Boroughs have already their charges—Kensington has chosen Soissons, and Wandsworth Villers-Planchet. Similarly, the big provincial centres have their god-children, Manchester being responsible for Metz, Birmmham for Cambrai, Preston for La Bassée, and Chester for Soissons. And there is a certain likeness of things that Doncaster has adopted—St. Leger.

HISTORY IN STONE.

The ancient cathedrals and parish churches of England are the architectural storehouse of the land. They are the history of the race in stone. It is not surprising, therefore, that the cathedral chapters and the rectors of our great parish churches view with strong disfavour a proposal that some of the Government Departments should be placed in control of these fabrics. They say that there is not the slightest reason for any such departure. Canon Alexander, of St. Paul's Cathedral, holds that, whatever might have been the case thirty or forty years ago, the chapters and rectors are now thoroughly alive to their responsibilities as guardians and custodians of ancient churches with which they are connected. In order to prevent interference from outside they are forming committees in every diocese in the country to see that necessary work of repair and maintenance shall be carried on.

There is something decidedly piquant in the organised protest of the senior clergy. It is also an indication of the unpopularity of Government management of things. Even the representatives of the State Church will not submit to State control in this matter if they can help it.

THE IRISH COMPROMISE.

Ulster Members profess themselves well-satisfied with the upshot of the Irish Home Rule debates. The Government of Ireland Bill has passed substantially in the form which they agreed to accept some months ago.

I hear that already they are making their arrangements for the election of their Parliament, and they hope to fix the first meeting for the early summer with the object of having the presence of a number of Dominion statesmen who will be in London then for the meeting of the Imperial Conference. They have also provisionally chosen the man they would like to see appointed first Lord Chief Justice of Ulster. He is Mr. Denis Henry, Irish Attorney-General, a native of the Province, a typical specimen of his race and profession, and, as it happens, a Roman Catholic.

The South of Ireland Unionists are disappointed, but hopeful. They believe the Southern Parliament will not come into existence when the Act is first put into operation, and that in the meantime discussions will have been opened which will lead to a settlement, especially if Ulster has led the way with her Parliament.

SIR PHILIP GIBBS.

The friends of Sir Philip Gibbs—to his many friends in Fleet Street the title seems a bit strange and he is still Philip Gibbs—to accept of editorship of the *Review of Reviews* comes as a surprise. It is difficult to think of him as the occupant of the editorial chair once filled by W. T. Stead. But he has all the literary qualifications for the position; indeed, he acted with great success as the "Literary Editor" of more than one London paper years ago. And he has qualified, also, in the most exacting class in the hard school of journalism as an all-round reporter. The war, of course, gave Sir Philip his chance, although he hated being war correspondent. On the *Review of Reviews* he will have congenial work, and already he has got many distinguished people to write for him, including Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Birrell, the Poet Laureate, and so on.

NEW CHINESE MINISTER.

Mr. Wellington Koo, the new Chinese Minister in London, who takes up his duties this week at the Chinese Legation in succession to Mr. Alfred Sze, appointed to Washington, receives a very cordial welcome from the leading newspapers. It is pointed out that he is a graduate of St. John's University, Shanghai, which also numbers among its other distinguished graduates Mr. Sze and the present Chinese Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Wu Yuen. Dr. Chen, the Under Secretary to the Legation in London, comes from Peking. He, also, was educated at a Mission School. He and his brother and sister are the only survivors of their family; all the other members of which were killed by the Boxers in 1900.

CHINESE STUDENTS

Recent articles in the *Daily Mail* which wrote to call attention to the subject of training young Chinese in this country have been the means of focusing attention on this matter. The advantages in the future to British trade and British influence in China as a result of bringing students here to complete their education are beginning to be understood, as they never have been before, for the simple reason that the subject is not one that has come within the ordinary ambit of journalism on this side.

Of course, the whole question largely turns on money. How much is likely to be available? That is the crux of the matter. Without a large sum in hand, or definitely in prospect, it is almost impossible to make a start with any practical scheme.

However, I am able to say that steps will be taken in a week or so to try to get some definite statement from the Treasury as to what they intend to do with regard to remitting a portion of the Boxer indemnity. The proposal is, as I have set forth in a previous article, that a certain amount should be earmarked for the training of Chinese students in Great Britain. It is true that there could hardly be a more inauspicious moment to press the point, because the Government are short of money as never before. Still, other countries have been able to make a graceful concession over the indemnity, and are welcoming Chinese students; and I have not heard any conclusive argument why Great Britain cannot do the same.

VIEW OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Committee of the China Association in London was held a few days ago at which the question was discussed. The considered opinion that was reached has been communicated to me. It is pointed out that with £100,000 a year wonders could be accomplished in regard to the education of Chinese students in England.

Moreover, it is well to note that there is no desire to have the whole of the indemnity cancelled. That would be bad for the trade of the United Kingdom. The indemnity contributes its share to swell the volume of bank exchange to this country, much of which security has been lost by the resale of British investments abroad. The bank exchange would also be needed for the maintenance of the Chinese students here, and this exchange would provide cover for imports of Chinese produce. There is the further point that the money would be spent in Britain and would not be lost to the nation.

LORD NORTHCLIFFE INTERESTED.

There is a further interesting fact which I am able to state—namely, that Lord Northcliffe is personally greatly interested in this question of Chinese students in England. He is most anxious that some scheme should be put into operation without undue delay. When his Lordship takes an interest in a question something definite and practical usually happens; and so it may well be in this instance.—H.B.

THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF THE WAR.

In the Chancery Division before Mr. Justice Eve recently, in the case of *Right v. Rawson*, the testator by his will, dated April 5th, 1917, had bequeathed a legacy of £10,000 to his son, who was an officer in the Royal Berkshire Regiment, and was reported as missing after the battle of Loos on September 28th, 1915.

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Mr. Stirling, for the trustees, said that it was desired to ascertain whether "the termination of the present war" meant that with Germany or with all the belligerents. A certificate that the death of this officer occurred on or since September 29th, 1915, had been accepted for official purposes. There were three periods as to the termination of the war. June 28th last was the signing of the peace. The Order in Council under the Act of 1918 had fixed it as January 10th so far as regarded Germany. There was no Order in Council as to all the belligerents, and there might never be one.

Mr. Whitmore Richards, for one of the defendants, asked that the earliest possible date might be fixed.

Mr. Boraston, for another defendant, argued that the latest time should be taken. He referred to *Kotzias v. Tyzer* (38 *The Times* L.R. 104; [1920] 2 K.B. 68). Turley was the only one outstanding now, but the testator must have referred to all the belligerents.

Mr. Justice Eve (after stating the facts) said that, as regarded Germany and Austria, the Order in Council made in January last had terminated the war, but it was argued that it meant all the belligerents and that Turkey was still outstanding. If this were a question of contract which had to be construed solely by the language used, without the assistance, as here, of the testator's language, the (his Lordship) would not be disinclined to that view. But here, having regard to the circumstances and to the language used, the inference was irresistible that the testator was considering only the question between this country and the Central Powers; and not contemplating the question between ourselves and Turkey. On the whole, he came to the conclusion that the time had arrived when the accumulations might cease; and that the trustees would be justified in accepting the view that at the expiration of six months from January last the trust for accumulation terminated and the condition had now arisen under which accumulations could no longer be made.

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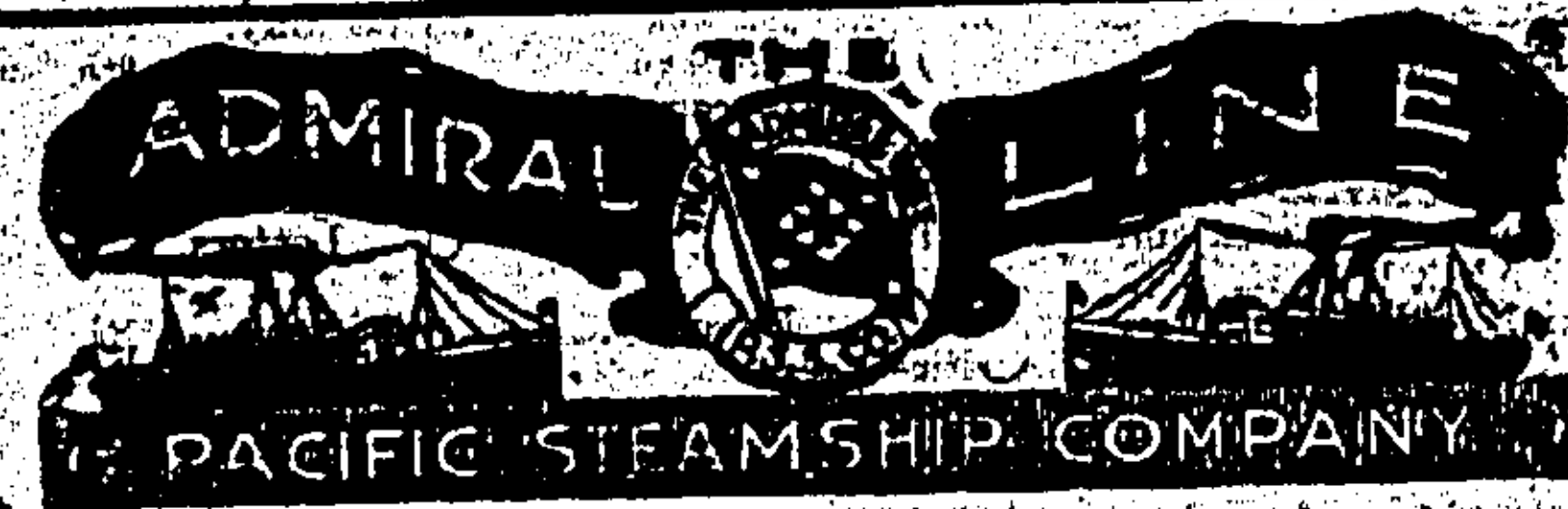
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